



## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook April 6 - 12, 2017

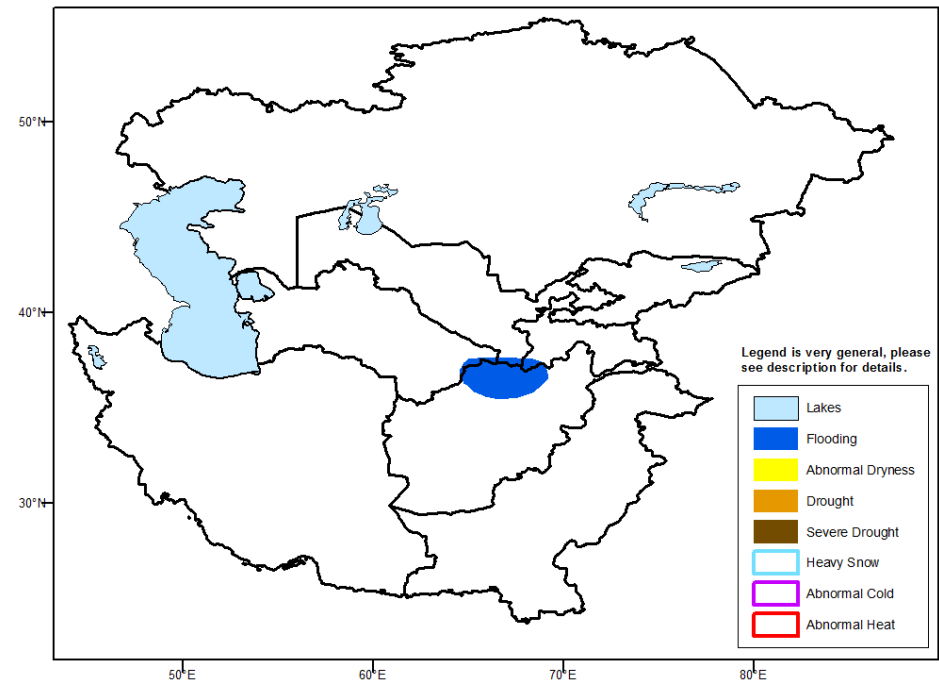
### **Temperatures:**

Above-normal temperatures persisted across Central Asia during the final week of March. The hottest temperatures (above 30 degrees C) were observed across southwest Afghanistan. During the next week, above-normal temperatures are forecast to continue except for northern Kazakhstan. Maximum temperatures are likely to warm above 30 degrees C across the lower elevations of western and southern Afghanistan along with southern Turkmenistan.

### **Precipitation**

Widespread precipitation (10 to 57 mm) extended from central Kazakhstan south into eastern parts of Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, and northern Afghanistan from March 26 to April 1. During the next week, rain and high-elevation snow (locally more than 25 mm, liquid equivalent) is expected across northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

During the past two weeks, rapid snow melt occurred across the northern basins of Afghanistan. The continued rapid snow melt associated with above-normal temperatures along with recent rainfall poses a high risk of flooding across northern Afghanistan during early April.



**Note:** The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.